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In re:

U.S. Application of:

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KATO, and Junko NATSUME

For:

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS HAVING A  
DISPLAY CHANGEABLE IN COLOR  
ACCORDING TO OPERATIONAL MODE

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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION  
APPLICATION (CPA) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R.  
§ 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)), of Application Serial No.  
09/160,267, filed on September 24, 1998, by Masami TOYAMA,  
Motomi TAKEMOTO, Akinori YOSHIDA, Hiroaki IKEDA, Tomokazu KATO,  
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1. The above-identified prior Application Serial No. 09/160,267, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

2. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior Application Serial No. 09/160,267, including the specification, drawings, and Declaration to constitute the new application.

3. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment, filed concurrently herewith.

4. Claims 1-12, 14-25, and new claims 32-39 are presented for examination in this application.

5. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior Application Serial No. 09/160,267, as amended by the Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently herewith.

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| Basic fee                          |           |             |                      | \$370 | OR |                                 | \$740  |
| Total claims                       | 32-20=    | 12          | X \$9=               | \$0   | OR | X \$18=                         | \$216  |
| Independent claims                 | 9-3=      | 6           | X \$42=              | \$0   | OR | X \$84=                         | \$504  |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Presented | 0         | 0           | +\$140=              | \$0   | OR | +\$280=                         | \$-0-  |
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6. Please charge the \$1,460.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee and \$720.00 for the excess claims fee) to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please charge any additional fees (other than issue fee) required during the pendency of this application to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1260. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

7. ~~Enclosed~~ is a Petition For A One-Month Extension of Time, extending the period of response to the Office Action, mailed July 30, 2001, to November 30, 2001. The Petition includes authorization for charging the Petition fee against Sidley Austin Brown & Wood's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

8. The prior Application Serial No. 09/160,267, filed on September 24, 1998, is assigned of record by virtue of an Assignment by Masami TOYAMA, Motomi TAKEMOTO, Akinori YOSHIDA, Hiroaki IKEDA, Tomokazu KATO, and Junko NATSUME to MINOLTA CO., LTD., as recorded on **Reel 009988, Frame 0917.**

9. The Power of Attorney in the prior application Serial No. 09/160,267, was filed by Masami TOYAMA, Motomi TAKEMOTO, Akinori YOSHIDA, Hiroaki IKEDA, Tomokazu KATO, and Junko NATSUME, and is to certain attorneys of SIDLEY AUSTIN BROWN & WOOD, Dallas, Texas. On or about May 3, 2001, the power of attorney was changed to the practitioners associated with Customer No. 24367 and the correspondence address was changed to that associated with Customer No. 24367. Please submit all correspondence to the Dallas address associated with Customer No. 24367.

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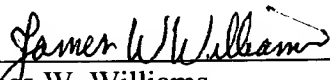
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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